387 Declassified in Part - Sanitized Copy Approved for Release @ 50-Yr 2014/11/04 : CIA-RDP82-00047R000300390007-8 CLASSIFICATION CONFIDENTIAL /SECURITY INFORMATION CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY INFORMATION REPORT DATE DISTR. SAPT COUNTRY Estonia SUBJECT Estonian Meat Exports NO. OF PAGES 2 50X1 PLACE NO. OF ENCLS. ACQUIRED (LISTED BELOW) 50X1 DATE ACQUIRED SUPPLEMENT TO REPORT NO. DATE OF IN THIS IS UNEVALUATED INFORMATION 1. Estonian livestock which was to be exported was slaughtered at one of three slaughter houses: Tallinn, Vohma, or Tartu. 2. The largest slaughter house was located in Tallinn. It was built in 1927 and was improved upon during the years until in 1940 it was modern in every respect. The plant was located at 101 Tartu Street. 3. During the peak season, the Tallinn slaughter house and canning factory, which was part of the plant, hired approximately 800 people. 4. The storage capacity at Tallinn was 200 tons. There was a modern refrigeration plant. No freezing was done in any of the three plants. Total output of the plant was about 40% of all meat slaughtered for export. 5. Livestock was transported to the Tallinn plant by railroad and truck. It was about two miles from the plant to the harbor and the meat was hauled by truck and loaded immediately into refrigerated holds.

- The second largest slaughter house used for export was located at Vohma, which is about 40 kilometers north of Viljandi by rail and 170 kilometers southeast by rail from Tallinn.
- 7. Vohma is a very small village. The slaughter house was located about 200 yards from the railroad depot. During the peak slaughter season, the plant, including the canning factory, hired about 400 to 500 people.
- 8. The Vohma plant was built in 1935 and had modern equipment. Storage capacity for refrigerated meat was about 150 tons. This plant handled about 30% to 35% of all meat slaughtered for export.
- 9. The third export slaughter house was located at Tartu, which is about 200 kilometers east and south of Tallinn. The plant was located about 1 kilometers from the railroad depot. It was built about 1925. The Tartu plant handled about 25% of all meat slaughtered for export. At the peak season, the plant had approximately 250 employees. The Tartu plant was the smallest plant. It had a storage capacity of about 75 tons. The equipment at Tartu was not as modern nor as good as the Tallinn and Vohma equipment.

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50X1	lo.	the total export figures following are figures for	res for meats and meat pro	ducts in 1940.		
		by 30% to 40% except for sausage, whi export to Germany.	ch increased about three t	imes due to heavy		
		Product	Value in Kroons			
		Bacon	3,000,000			
		Pork	560,000			
:		Beef and Veal	100,000 200,000	50X1		
		Lamb Poultry	4,000			
		Intestines and Casings	7,000			
		Canned Meat (Ham, etc)	13,000			
		Sausage	1,000			
		As an average, meat was figured at ab purposes.	out 25 kroons per kilogram	for export		
	11.	As can be seen from the above figures of the cattle in Estonia was dairy caslaughtered for export.	, pork products were the m ttle and only a small amou	ain exports. Most nt of beef was		
t	12.		n was the UK. Live sheep	and slaughtered cipal sausage con-		
50X1	13,	the canning factories at each of the three slaughter houses. These canning factories put up hams, both smoked and cooked, pork shoulders, sausage and liver paste. In addition, some cucumbers, berries, mushrooms and a vegetable and meat mixture were canned for export.				
		All meat slaughtered for export at Vorailroad cars to Tallinn for transfer rarely was any meat stored at Tallinn	to ships as orders were r			
	15.	All meat was inspected at the slaughter houses by two or three governmen veterinarians. If approved, it was stamped. The standards for exported meat were based on the standards used in the country to which the meat was consigned.				
	16.	Prior to 1940, Estonia had a contract 500 pigs a day were exported during t	he farrowing season which	sometimes		
50X1		coccurred twice a year. These young policy kolkhozes and Sovkhozes, mortality rate was extremely high becomes	Estonians who delivered			
•	17.	I do not have any figures for total slaughtering in Estonia. I do know that there were city and county-owned slaughter houses throughout Estonia. Al50x1:at sold for domestic consumption was re uired to be inspected, slaughtered, and				
		graded at these slaughter houses. Pr	ior to 1940, there were abo	out fifty such		
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K	· P	required to purchase government inspe	cted meat.	in in the late of		
50X1	19.	All meat for domestic use was sold at	butcher shops throughout I retail shops in conjunction	on with the		
		nearby towns. The Vohma plant had be had about 10.	tween 10 and 15 shops and	the Tartu plant		

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